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Interview Agenda:

Discussion of current §101 rejections;

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- Discussion of differences between the application/claims and the cited references; and
- Discussion of proposed amendments

Section 101

[0002] Would we eliminate the § 101 issues if I amend claim 22 to model after claim 28 as suggested on p. 4 of the Office Action. In particular, I propose amending the preamble of claim 22 as follows:

A system implemented at least in part by a computing device, the computing device comprising one or more tangible computer-readable media having stored thereon a computer program executed by one or more processors, the system comprising:

[0003] If these proposed amendments will not overcome the current §101 rejections, I would like to discuss suggestions you may have for additional amendments that would overcome the current §101 rejections.

Differences Between the Application and the Cited References

[0004] It does not appear to me that the primary cited reference (i.e., Willebeek-LeMair) discloses the following (in particular, the emphasized text) from claim 1:

A method comprising:
receiving an event from a first security engine;
identifying a second security engine configured to utilize
information contained in the even, wherein the second

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security engine is unaware of the first security engine; and

communicating the information contained in the event to the second security engine, wherein the event corresponds to identifying a password that does not comply with predetermined criteria.

[0005] Instead, Willebeek-LeMair describes an intrusion detector functionality 116 [i.e. the first security engine] and a firewalling functionality 118 [i.e. the second security engine] being interlocked such that the firewalling functionality 118 [i.e. the second security engine] can take alerts generated by the intrusion detector functionality 116 [i.e. the first security engine]. Nothing in Willebeek-LeMair indicates that the intrusion detector functionality 116 [i.e. the first security engine] is unaware of the firewalling functionality 118 [i.e. the second security engine], as described by the invention of claim 1. As to claims 14, 22, and 28, it is believed the same analysis applies thereto.

Proposed Amendments

[0006] Please see the attached Appendix of Proposed Claim Amendments. I would like to get your impression how effective the proposed claim amendments might be in our efforts to get allowed subject matter.

[0007] Thank you in advance for scheduling time for this interview. I look forward to talking to you.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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